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In re Application of: Allen Dean Mammel
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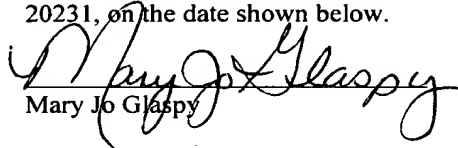
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. Copies of these references are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims of Applicant's above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from these references.

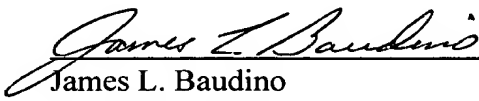
REMARKS

The present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 09/129,106. Each document listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 was cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the prior application as properly identified above. Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), a copy of each listed document need not be provided with the present Information Disclosure Statement. However, for the convenience of the Examiner, Applicant has provided a copy of each listed document.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of Applicants' above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from these references. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before an Office Action on the merits, and therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no fee is believed to be due. If, however, a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker & Botts, L.L.P.

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